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SUBJECT: ESCAP: 31ST SESSION: NEW DELHI DECLARATION

1. SUMMARY: HAMMERING OUT OF DECLARATION HAS BEEN LONG AND ARDUOUS PROCESS DURING WHICH U.S. DEL HAS BEEN ABLE TO OBTAIN AGREEMENT ON MOST MAJOR POINTS OF INTEREST TO US. WE WERE FORCED, HOWEVER, TO AGREE TO COMPROMISE LANGUAGE ON CHINESE INSERTION REGARDING COLONIALISM AND ARE PRESENTLY FIGHTING TOUGH BATTLE TO RETAIN PHRASE "A NEW ECONOMIC ORDER" INSTEAD OF INDIAN PROPOSAL OF "THE NEW ECONOMIC ORDER". REQUEST DEPARTMENT GUIDANCE ON THE LATTER TWO POINTS. END SUMMARY.

2. AS EXPECTED, GIVEN TITLE AND OPENING PERAMBULAR PARAGRAPH QUOTE RECALLING UNQUOTE GA RESES 3201 AND 3202, ORIGINAL DRAFT CONTAINED NUMBER OF REFERENCES UNACCEPTABLE TO US. LENGTHY COMMITTEE WORKING SESSION TUESDAY, AND WEDNESDAY, U.S. DEL OBTAINED SURPRISING NUMBER OF MODIFICATIONS WHICH MAKE DECLARATION MORE

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PALATABLE BUT SEVERAL PROBLEMS REMAIN. REMAINING

PROBLEMS PERCEIVED BY U.S. DEL CITED BELOWVQ WILL CABLE
FULL TEXT FROM CLEAN DRAFT TO BE MADE AVAILABLE THIS
AFTERNOON LOCAL TIME.

3. IN TUESDAY SESSION THERE WAS A GENERAL CONSENSUS
THAT NIEO WOULD BE PRECEDED BY INDEFINITE ARTICLE
"A" REPEAT "A" BUT AGREEMENT ON LOWER CASE LETTERS WAS
DEFERRED. IN WEDNESDAY SESSION INDIANS REVERSED THEIR
EARLIER POSITION AND PUSHED FOR THE INCLUSION OF THE
DEFINITE ARTICLE "THE" REPEAT "THE" BEFORE NIEO WHICH
THEY PROPOSED ALSO BE RETAINED IN ALL CAPITAL LETTERS.
U.S. DELH AND OTHER DEVELOPED COUNTRIES TOOK STRONG
EXCEPTION TO THIS POSITION AND MATTER IS STILL BEING
DEBATED. WE WILL, OF COURSE, PUSH FOR PHRASE "A NEW
ECONOMIC ORDER" IN LOWER CASE LETTERS BUT AS FALL-BACK
POSITION WE WOULD LIKE TO BE IN POSITION TO AGREE TO
CAPITALIZATION IF INDIANS AND OTHERS WILL ACCEPT USE
OF INDEFINITE ARTICLE "A" AS QUID PRO QUO. IN NO
EVENT WILL WE ACCEPT "THE" WHERE INFERENCE IS TO
RESULTS OF SIXTH SS UNGA.

4. CHINESE ON TUESDAY MOVED TO INSERT LANGUAGE IN
PREAMBULAR PARAGRAPH 9 WHICH MADE REFERENCES TO
COLONIALISM AS PRIME CAUSE OF UNDERDEVELOPMENT PROBLEMS
OF THE REGION. IN SUBSEQUENT NEGOTIATIONS U.S. DEL
WAS ABLE TO MODIFY CHINESE LANGUAGE TO INCLUDE
COLONIALISM AS BUT ONE OF MANY CAUSES OF UNDERDEVELOPMENT.
COMPROMISE LANGUAGE READS AS FOLLOWS: QUOTE: AWARE
THAT THESE PROBLEMS ARE OFTEN DUE TO OR AGGRAVATED BY
HISTORICAL CIRCUMSTANCES INCLUDING ALIEN AND COLONIAL
DOMINATION AND NEO-COLONIALISM IN ALL ITS FORMS AND BY
IMBALANCES IN THE DISBRIBUTION OF FOOD AND RAW MATERIALS,
PERIODIC NATURAL DISASTERS, GLOBAL INFLATION ALONG WITH
RECESSION IN SOME MAJOR INDUSTRIAL COUNTRIES, RECURRENT
INSTABILITY OF THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY SYSTEMS, AND
HIGH PRICES AND GLOBAL SHORTAGES OF ESSENTIAL GOODS

AND INPUTS, AND RAISED RATES OF POPULATION. UNQUOTE.
THIS COMPROMISE FORMULATION ALSO GAINED FULL SUPPORT
OF UK, FRENCH AND DUTCH DELEGATIONS. WOULD APPRECIATE
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DEPARTMENT RVNCURRENCE IN THIS COMPROMISE LANGUAGE.

5. NEED REPLY ASAP OR BY LATEST EIGHT A.M. LOCAL TIME
THURSDAY, MARCH 6.

6. IN VIEW OF VERY TIGHT SITUATION REGARDING TIME AND
IN LIGHT OF FACT FORMULATIONS OF PROVISIONS OF DELHI
DECLARATION CHANGING HOURLY, DELEGATION URGENTLY REQUESTS

AUTHORITY TO NEGOTIATE THROUGH TO A COMMITTEE DRAFT
ON AN AD REFERENDUM BASIS.
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